

THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

BEAVER COUNTY, ss.

To the Honorable the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Beaver County:

The petition of Fred Scheel
of the Borough of New Brighton in said county, and a native
of Germany, respectfully showeth: That he declared on oath
before the Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas of Beaver County, Pennsylvania,
on the 28th day of Sept., A. D. 1896, that it was his bona fide
intention to become a citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever all alle-
giance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, particu-
larly to the ~~Queen of Great Britain and Ireland and Empress of India~~
Empress of Germany, that at the time of his arrival he was under
eighteen years of age; that he has continued to reside in the United States since that
period; that for three years previous to his arrival at full age it was and still is, bona
fide his intention to become a citizen of the United States, and of renouncing forever all
allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, and
particularly to the ~~Queen of Great Britain and Ireland and Empress of India~~
Empress of Germany, of whom he was at the time a subject; that your
petitioner has resided within the United States upwards of five years, and in the State of
Pennsylvania one year, both periods immediately preceding this, his application to
become a citizen of the United States; and that he has never borne any hereditary title,
or been of any of the orders of notability, in his own or any other country.

He therefore prays that, on his making the proof and taking the oath prescribed by
law, he may be admitted a citizen of the United States of America; and he will ever
pray, etc.

I, Fred Scheel, the petitioner above named, do swear that
the facts set forth in this petition are true, that for upwards of three years it has been bona
fide my intention to become a citizen, that I will support the Constitution of the United
States, and that I do absolutely and entirely renounce and adjure forever all allegiance
and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, and particularly
to the Empress of Germany, of whom I was
heretofore a subject.

Sworn and subscribed in open Court,
this 28th day of Sept. A. D. 1896
G. W. Maclean Prothonotary.

I, William Kessler of the Borough of New Brighton
do swear that Fred Scheel, the petitioner above named, has resided
within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States of America five years,
and within the State of Pennsylvania one year; that he is a man of good moral character,
attached to the Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and
happiness of the same.

Sworn and subscribed before me
this 28th day of Sept. A. D. 1896
G. W. Maclean Prothonotary.